

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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PASSENGER AMENITIES
Sarvey Shri Sathyanarayana

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways propose to provide separate toilets for women and handicapped, western style toilets, bathroom facilities, drinking water facilities preferably through automatic vending machine;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the funds allocated and spent by South Central Railway on amenities during the last three years under each category?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Separate toilets for ladies and disabled friendly toilets are provided at A1, A & B category stations. Waiting rooms with bathing facilities are taken up for ladies at all A1 and A category stations over South Central Railway and 26 stations have already been provided with this facility on this Railway. Drinking water facility is available at all stations. Drinking water facility through Automatic Vending Machines is not an essential passenger amenity.

(c) Funds are allotted for provision of facilities to Railway passengers under various schemes/drives under Plan Head - 'Passenger Amenities'. Under this Plan Head, works are taken up apart from other items. Details of allotment and expenditure of funds under Plan Head - 'Passenger Amenities' on South Central Railway during the last three years are as under:

Year	Allotment	Expenditure
(Figures in lakh of Rupees)		
2004-05	1366	4132
2005-06	1332	3412
2006-07	2009	3400 (Approx) .